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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F. R. § 1.136, Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed April 20, 2001. This extension is effective to allow the timely filing of a response up to and including October 22, 2001 since October 20, 2001 was a Saturday.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING
(37 C.F.R. § 1.8a)

I hereby certify that this paper (along with anything referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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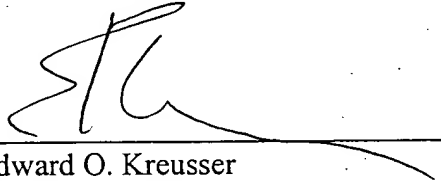
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